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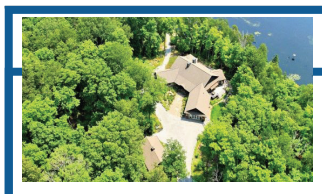
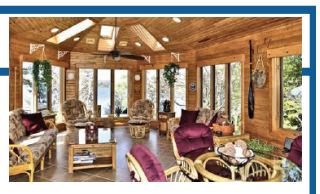

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Climate change affects even our reading patterns

Betty Kennedy died on March 20th of this year. Many who were reminiscing about the journalist and senator waxed nostalgic about her work on Front Page Challenge, a popular current affairs quiz show on CBC that ran from 1957 to 1995. As a newly minted teenager in the '90s, Front Page Challenge would have been winding down as my consciousness of world events was really starting to develop. But I do remember Betty Kennedy for another reason – for her book *Hurricane Hazel* published in 1979.

At some point in school I had to write an essay about Hurricane Hazel. I went to the Minden branch of the Haliburton County Public Library, and they had a copy of *Hurricane Hazel* by Betty Kennedy which formed the basis of my essay. I learned that prior to Hurricane Hazel, Toronto's infrastructure was not built to handle such a significant weather event. Nearly 200 mm of rain fell on Toronto, most of which went directly into Toronto's waterways because the soil was already saturated from the rainy weeks before. This created catastrophic flooding, which damaged houses, killed people, and even destroyed an entire neighborhood on Raymore Drive, which was never rebuilt. The damage was so severe that the name Hazel was retired from the list of Atlantic hurricanes, and the storm changed the way engineers and city planners designed Toronto's infrastructure.

ERIN KERNOHAN-BERNING
Erin's Editions

In 2013 – the same year that the Gull River flooded Minden the last time – a storm comparable in terms of rainfall to Hazel hit Toronto, once again causing widespread flooding in the city. Planning and design decisions made after Hazel ensured that the same type of weather event – while still significantly disruptive – did not cause the same amount of damage to property and loss of life. Weather events like this are becoming increasingly common as a result of climate change, and the effects are far reaching, and sometimes surprising. For instance, how we do business at Haliburton County Public Library is already influenced by climate change.

Our circulation goes through cycles throughout the year. There's a summer increase and a winter slump, going with the ebb and flow of our seasonal residents. Months where snow and ice keep people home (or if they're lucky, send them to more inviting climates), our digital borrowing has an upswing. When weather is inviting and people are on the move, we see our physical circulation increase and staff report busier branches. In the summer, scorching hot days keep seasonals at the lake, but bring those without AC at home into the building. This past winter we had to close branches more often due to snow squalls and freezing rain, for the safety of our staff and patrons.

The current flooding in Minden has made us think harder about how patrons get to our Minden branch, reminding everyone to obey all road closures and detours. Wells are vulnerable to contamination during a flood, and we carry residential well water testing kits from the Health Unit. Even in a state of emergency, people need entertainment – a patron recently travelled from his flooded neighbourhood to the branch to pick up DVDs, arriving at the branch in hip waders. The library also provides public access computers and 24/7 wi-fi – so patrons who have been displaced can still communicate with their loved ones and access the services they need.

Hurricane Hazel by Betty Kennedy is no longer at HCPL – it is long out of print. But we do have other books about the effect of climate change on our northern regions. *The World in 2050: four forces shaping civilization's northern future* by Laurence C. Smith uses climate data to forecast what the social, economic, and environmental future might look like in the Northern Hemisphere. Canada Reads 2017 contender *The Right to be Cold* by Sheila Watt-Cloutier details how climate change and the loss of Arctic sea ice is threatening Inuit culture. Looking at our past, present, and future, we can see that we are at the mercy of our environment, sometimes in unexpected ways.

Out in the warm air
Issac Fahrun cruises Head Lake Park with his mom and sister. Photo by Laura Smith

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Where have all the people gone?

GEORGE FARRELL
Special to *County Life*

Going to art galleries, is for me, one of life's great pleasures. I go whenever I am on day trips or on vacation; and in fact some vacations and trips in my life have been built around the galleries that an area had to offer.

We are fortunate in the Highlands to be an arts-based community, with the school of the arts as a core, and with galleries that are appreciated by many in the community. Visitors are often amazed that such a small community as ours can support so many galleries, studio tours and arts of different genres.

But in our galleries where wall art and sculpture are on display, I've noticed a major difference between what our artists are creating, and what our galleries are displaying, versus what can be seen in more urban galleries.

I've noticed, for instance, that the further one gets away from major centres, artworks featuring the human form tend to dwindle in direct proportion to the distance travelled away from urbanity. Nude images are still a virtual no-show in most of our galleries; likewise realistic portraits. What we do have, ad infinitum, are landscapes, plus admittedly, some abstracts.

But when you see landscapes by the great masters, and even by present-day artists from other locales, you very often see people in those landscapes doing things. But it seems in the Highlands our artists feature landscapes almost totally devoid of human life. So where have all the people gone, and why?

I put those questions to John Leonard of the Haliburton School of Art and Design. John has been teaching at various manifestations of the school for 46 years. He's a graduate of the Ontario College of Art and is a member of the Royal Canadian Academy. He's taught classes in drawing and painting from the model, so even though many of his works are landscapes, he was more than qualified to answer my questions.

"Some small regional galleries are uncomfortable with nude images, and artists have run into difficulty with nudes," he said, citing a controversial series of letters to the former *Echo* editor Martha Perkins regarding nude images in a public space, being seen by children. The story had some "legs" but Leonard quoted Perkins as ultimately saying words to the effect of "This is what artists do, get over it." Well it's true. Just about every art school of note features drawing and painting from nude models as standard fare. But change comes slowly if one is to go by the dearth of nudes seen in any of our galleries.

But enough of nudes for the nonce, what about realistic portrayals of clothed people, both as portraits and in landscapes?

"Well, there's been a reversal over the years," Leonard said. "Previously artists mainly painted pictures that told a story, and they were making a record of events, depicting things like battles and religious subject matter. Nowadays, though, some artists still do portraits, more are looking at art as a spiritual experience."

I believe Leonard meant spiritual in the sense of communing with nature, for example; which might have something to do perhaps with the overabundance of local landscapes.

We went on to discuss the huge influence of technology on what art has become. We talked about the advent of the camera as the principal human-image-maker, and television and film specifically, as our main, visual, storytelling media. With all that competition many artists moved away from traditional art forms and can now be found in such occupations as computer animation. Leonard cited comic books as still continuing the storytelling tradition.

Leonard also mentioned local artist Charles O'Neil as having done some beautiful nude studies. As a painter of people, Terry Wright came to my mind, with her depictions of tradesmen and merchants from our pioneering past.

But why not see some people from the 21st century portrayed? It's not as though the subject matter is boring. Fashion is all over the place, people sport muti-hued hair, iridescent tattoos, and piercings to every imaginable part of their anatomy. Wouldn't the painting of modern people be a fascinating subject for some local artist? Isn't it time to put more people back in the picture?

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Massed choir delights despite move

SUE TIFFIN

County Life staff

Organizing a massed choir of 150 people from three different towns was a monumental project, but moving that choir and 450 concert attendees the day of the event added to the exhilaration of planning for A Canadian Choral Celebration organizers.

The event was scheduled for May 9 at Archie Stouffer Elementary School, but due to flooding and road closures in Minden, it was announced the day before to be relocating to the high school in Haliburton.

"It was really a great undertaking doing that move," said Beth Kipping, a member of the Canada 150 committee that organized the event. "We really had to hit the ground running on Monday at 2 o'clock, and we were nervous, when we got there, thinking, 'are we going to see people or not?'"

Not only did people show up for the concert, but chairs were added to support additional guests when the high school's gymnasium allowed for more space. Singers from the Highlands Festival Singers in Haliburton, the North Hastings Community Choir in Bancroft and the Community College Choir in Lindsay were able to come together in one place as planned.

"It was awesome, it was really awesome," said Kipping.

The idea for the massed choir came about a few years ago, when members of the three choirs, all directed by Melissa Stephens, were discussing the possibility of joining together for a performance.

"Melissa started doing the math," said Kipping, "and realized that there were about 150 members in total."

Stephens then carefully researched and selected Canadian music and composers to create a list that would help choir members celebrate Canada's 150th birthday this year. Besides works by Leonard Cohen and Gordon Lightfoot alongside traditional provincial songs, the concert featured a composition by Patricia Morehead, an oboe player in the Haliburton Symphony Orchestra.

"It really became a great addition," said Kipping.

The choirs performed in Lindsay, Bancroft and Haliburton to an average audience of 440 people and Kipping said there might be potential for a similar concert in a few years.

"The choir really, really enjoyed it," she said. "The number of hours of work that went into planning it was massive, but if everyone was willing to roll up their sleeves again, it might be something we look at."

Three choirs – the College Community Choir from Lindsay, the North Hastings Community Choir from Bancroft and the Highlands Festival Singers from Haliburton – joined together as 150 voices for 150 years at the massed choir concert on May 9. /SUE TIFFIN Staff

Chris Chumbley was a soloist during the Black Fly song, performed at the massed choir concert on May 9.

All eyes, almost, in the packed crowd were taking in the spring concert celebrating Canada's 150th birthday. Michael Dillane, 4, enjoyed the choir with his grandma, Bobbie Flood.

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The Citizens' Band, seen here in 1915, provided entertainment at a variety of community events for four decades.

Ten non-traditional ways to repel black flies

It's black fly season once again and, as always, everyone is looking for ways to avoid being on the menu. Here are 10 tactics you should consider:

1. Spray paint your exposed skin stone grey and stand still as a statue every time one comes near. (We'll discuss how to deal with pigeons in a future column.)
2. Offer to sit down and "rap" with them. Let them know how their constant biting affects you.
3. Strike up a conversation about fly fishing. If my experience with non-fly-anglers is any indication, they'll be gone before you get too deeply into aquatic entomology.
4. Offer alternate solutions. Basically, this means quietly pointing to your buddies.

STEVE GALEA
Humour Columnist

5. Body shame them by saying things like. "Sure, it's OK to dine here. Oh my, I thought you were a deer fly."
6. Use reverse psychology. Welcome them to dine on your blood "that there is absolutely nothing wrong with."
7. Fair warning: I just ate garlic.
8. Say things like: "If you've got a sweet tooth, that guy there is diabetic."
9. Point and then yell, "Dragon fly!" Run while they are distracted.
10. Make an example of one by capturing it and telling it them the "orange you glad I didn't say banana" knock-knock joke for several hours.

Are you rental ready?

JANICE BISHOP
Cottage Rental Expert

Is your cottage ready for the rental season to begin?

My clients often ask what they need to do to prepare their cottage for rent. Here are some of the suggestions I give them.

Cleaning: before the rental season begins, clean your cottage from top to bottom. If you hire a professional cleaning service, you can write off the cost as a business expense. A clean cottage goes a long way towards ensuring happy customers.

Cleaning supplies: stock up on cleaning supplies so renters have everything they need to keep your cottage clean.

Bedding: put protective coverings on your beds and pillows so they appear fresh and clean when renters arrive. Wash all of your blankets and protective coverings at the beginning and end of every rental season.

Garbage: renters are expected to take their own garbage to the dump so be sure to give them details on where to store the garbage between trips to the dump, how to sort the garbage, directions to the dump, and a list of dump hours. It would be a nice touch to leave garbage bags for them to use. Clear plastic bags are not always easy to find in the city.

Electronics: one of the most common renter questions is "how to get the TV back to the satellite dish after watching a DVD." Write a manual on how to operate the entertainment systems at your cottage. Remember renters likely use cable in the city and are not familiar with satellite dishes.

Empty space: Renters need space so they can unpack. Empty your refrigerator. Renters will be bringing a week's worth of food with them. Empty a cupboard so they can put their non-perishables away. In the bedrooms, leave a few dresser drawers empty so they can unpack their suitcases.

Check-out list: leave a checklist of things that need to be done before renters check-out at the end of the week.

Janice Bishop is the owner of All-Season Cottage Rentals and has worked within the tourism industry for over 40 years.

Creativity and community

KATE BUTLER
Special to *County Life*

There can be no doubt that we live in an incredibly vibrant community, with those involved in the arts contributing hugely to our local economy and the quality of life of the whole of Haliburton County. Personally, I know of several individuals who have moved to this area because of the thriving and supportive arts community they found here when they first visited, as well as many people who visit time and again because of the talented artists, artisans, performers and creators they find here.

Throughout human history, people have always turned to creative pursuits to make sense of the world around them and tell their stories. Though we often think of the life of early settlers in Haliburton county as immensely challenging and focused almost purely on survival, we know that creativity was still a part of daily life. For instance, we have accounts of songs being composed and sung in the county's lumber camps, which told the story of those individuals working in the camp that season. These humorous compositions provided some light entertainment after a day of hard work and served as a memory of a particular place, time and group of people.

There have also been a number of local bands, such as the Citizens' Band, shown here in a photo from 1915, which provided entertainment at a wide variety of community events for almost four decades. Visual artists have long been represented in this area, ranging from those who dabbled simply because they loved the beautiful landscapes here to big names in the arts, such as Ethel Curry, who must have been similarly bewitched by the views. Writers, poets and even playwrights have all found a desire to tell the story of this area.

2017 marks a very special anniversary for Canada and Dysart et al as both are marking their sesquicentennials. A wide range of creative initiatives are taking place to celebrate these special occasions at a variety of locations and the Haliburton Highlands Museum is no exception. The museum is extremely excited to partner this summer with Rural Rogues Productions, a newly formed theatre troupe focused on place-based theatre. Local actor, director and playwright Michael Clipperton has written a play entitled *Re-Generation: A Haliburton Tale*, which tells the story of both Haliburton/Dysart and Canada over the last 150 years.

The play will be performed on the grounds of the museum on July 29 and 30 and it brings history to life through the triumphs and challenges faced by several generations of one family. Entertaining and educational, it shares the excitement and concerns felt by local residents through such events as Confederation, the First World War, the new horizons of the 1960s and our present day.

We hope you'll join us this summer for a performance or perhaps consider getting involved with the production. Contact us at the museum for more information (info@haliburtonhighlandsmuseum.com) and make some great memories of this very important year in our community's history!

Kate Butler is the director of Haliburton Highlands Museum.

Local families used the closed portion of Bobcaygeon Road to add their own chaulk creations to the asphalt on Sunday, May 14 in Minden. The idea to add colour to the street was started by Anson Street resident Brigitte Gall, who came with her daughters by boat. She believed this was about bringing positivity to a negative situation. Parts of the town have been flooded since May 4, closing several streets. /DARREN LUM Staff

Lobsterfest returns to Haliburton June 10

SUE TIFFIN
County Life staff

Bibs, butter and a band are in place for Lobsterfest, the third annual Haliburton Rotary fundraising dinner being held on June 10.

One-and-a-half pound lobsters provided by Brad Park at Haliburton Foodland are the focus of the meal, catered alongside a roast beef buffet presented by Molly's Bistro. Guests at the event buying a group table are invited to decorate their tables with any theme of their choosing – tables decorated as Margaritaville, or with lobster toys and helium balloons have made the room bright in the past.

"There wasn't really anything like this in town," said David Zilstra, Rotarian and event chair. "It's really filling a need in the area."

The event is modelled after Barrie's Lobsterfest, organized for more than 30 years by the Barrie-Huronia Rotary Club.

"This is a cool event, it's fun, and it's a really good environment," said Zilstra.

Three-hundred tickets are available for the feast at the Haliburton Curling Club. Festivities begin at 6 p.m., followed by a dance from 8:30 to 10 p.m.

Tickets cost $65 and are available from any Rotarian, or from V & S Stedman's in Haliburton.

"All the money raised adds up and goes back into the community," said Zilstra.

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This position has been funded by the "Community Radio Fund of Canada."

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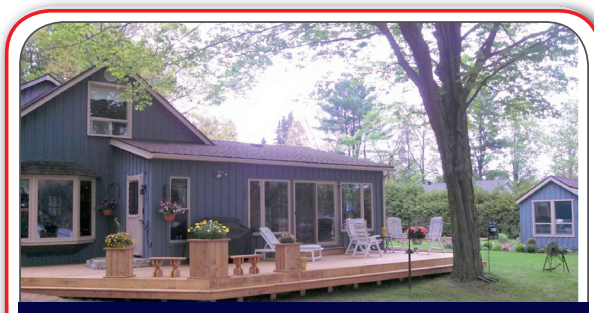

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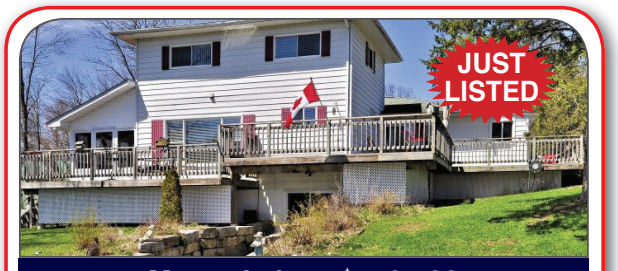

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Haliburton focus of place-based play

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As the country gears up to celebrate 150 years of Confederation, a new theatre company is bringing a new play to the stage to celebrate what life has been like in Haliburton County over those years.

Re-Generation: A Haliburton Tale, was written by Michael Clipperton and will be produced by Rural Rogues, a local theatre company.

Seven actors - four women and three men - share stories of life throughout four different eras in Haliburton's history in Clipperton's play.

"There's no specific name or lake mentioned, but it's all very familiar in some ways," said David McGill, Rural Rogues board member.

It begins in 1867 with characters all connected either by blood or through marriage, and living in Canada in the year of Confederation. The next scene, in 1917, looks different. Set in the time of the First World War, only women take to the stage, as the men are off fighting or working. One character remains from the first scene, albeit 50 years older, but the characters all continue to be related in some way.

Scene three takes place in 1967, 100 years after the first scene.

"The focus there is really interesting," said McGill. "That's the centennial year, but there's also an American connection."

Some of the characters have emigrated to the United States, but still visit the Haliburton cottage from their home in Cleveland. One of the characters has just received his draft notice, and has decided he's not going back but is going to stay in the country as a draft dodger.

The last scene of the play shows life in present-day Haliburton County.

"[Clipperton] has neatly taken us back to where the story begins, even though it's 150 years down the road," said McGill.

The play will be performed on July 29 and 30 at the Haliburton Highlands Museum in Haliburton. McGill said the performance will be BYOS, or Bring Your Own Seating, as the audience will shift places to see scenes set in various locations on the museum grounds.

"Every scene has conflict, but every scene has moments of very viable humour," said McGill. "Just the way the characters are scripted, there will be local people who see the play who try to put names to the characters. That's part of the appeal."

The idea for place-based theatre enticed Clipperton, a director, playwright and educator, at the 2016 SPARC symposium.

"The idea with place-based theatre, is that the local area and people who live in it have stories to tell," said McGill. "We don't need to bring in stories from away to entertain us. There are a lot of stories to be told in Haliburton County."

Rural Rogues is looking to produce one play a year.

"In the years to come, there will be stories to tell of a Minden story, Dorset story, or whatever, as the ideas come forward," said McGill.

Rehearsals for *Re-Generation: A Haliburton Tale* begin in mid-June in Haliburton.

For more information about the show, to audition for a role or to help behind the scenes, contact Kate Butler at 705-457-2760 or Michael Clipperton at 705-739-4753.

Fundraiser eases curling club expenses

Food is served up to patient revellers at the Minden Curling Club's fundraiser on Saturday, May 13 in Minden. The dinner and dance event raised more than $9,000. The event sold 250 tickets and included raffle with more than 75 items donated by local businesses and a 50/50 draw. Made possible by close to 100 volunteers, the event helped with operational cost such as the annual $43,000 hydro bill at the curling club. The Cruisers were the musical attraction./DARREN LUM Staff

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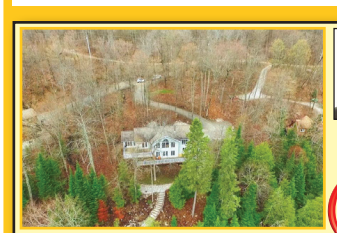

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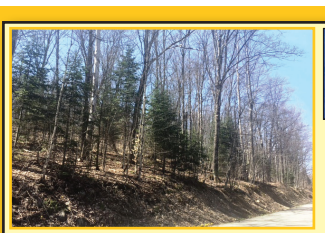
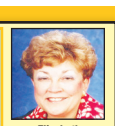
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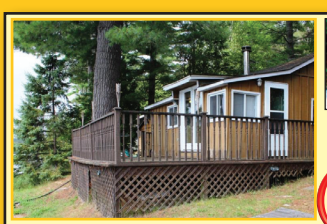
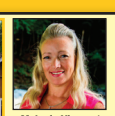
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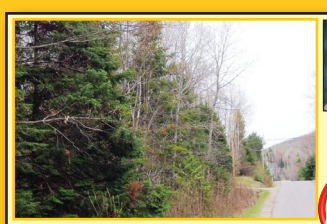

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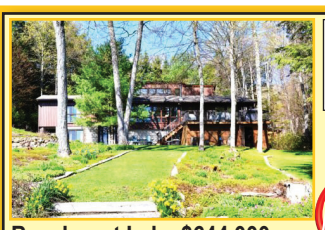

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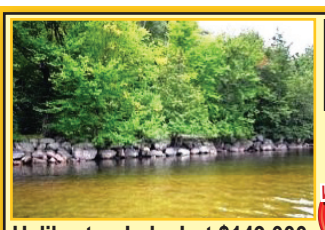

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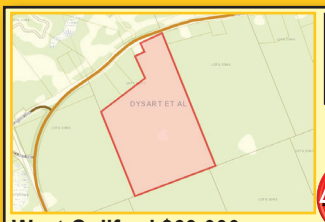

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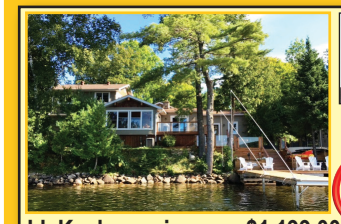

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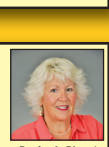

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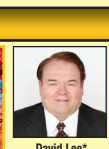

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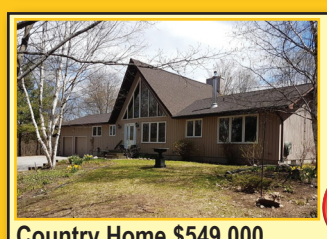

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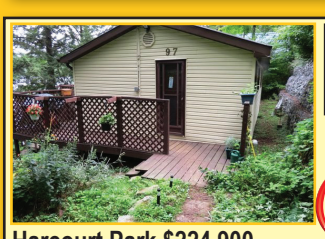

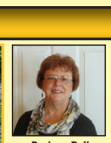

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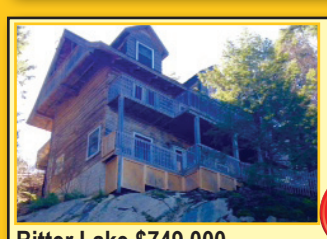

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Minden OPP office officially opened

by Ariel White

The Minden office of the Ontario Provincial Police is once again officially open for business. The Minden detachment of the OPP held its open house on Friday to show off the new digs in the building they share with the Minden Ministry of Natural Resources. MPP Chris Hodgson was on hand to help celebrate the return of the OPP office to the Minden area.

The Minden detachment office return to Minden after being relocated to the Coboconk office. However, now the detachment is housed in the north section of the MNR building on Highway 35.

Staff Sergeant Andy Millar was enthusiastic about the move down the highway. "On behalf of the OPP, we would like to thank you for sharing in the opening of this facility," said Millar. "We certainly hope to be home here now. We feel quite happy to be here."

MPP Chris Hodgson took the opportunity to announce the provincial government's new Rural Crime Prevention Strategy. It will be aimed specifically at crimes such as cottage break-ins. As well, Hodgson discussed the new Ontario Provincial Police Cadet Program in which 115 cadets will provide some of the support duties, so that fully trained officers may move back out on to the streets. "We want officers doing what they were trained to do," said Hodgson. $150 million dollars will be also invested in crime prevention and policing over the next five years, according to the recent provincial budget.

Hodgson thanked several groups for their efforts to keep Haliburton County safe, including community support groups such as the Wilberforce Community Policing Association, Haliburton County Council and township municipal councils, as well as the OPP.

Also on hand for the ceremony was Chief Superintendent John Hutton. According to Hutton, the move into the MNR building will save the Minden detachment approximately $37,000 dollars in rent. "It's money that I can use toward hiring more part time officers or putting it to other good uses," said Hutton. He believes that the cadet program will be beneficial to the region as it will allow officers more time to focus on break and enters, a particular problem in the area. "We are not ahead of the game, but I am certainly aware of the pressures to get up to strength," said Hutton. Chief Superintendent Hutton then officially welcomed the community to the new Minden detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police.

OFFICIAL OPENING: Victoria-Haliburton MPP Chris Hodgson (left) joins Staff Sergeant Andy Millar and Chief Superintendant Bill Hutton for the official opening of the Ontario Provincial Police office in Minden.

New school scheduled for completion by Christmas 1998

If all goes according to plan in Haliburton, next year there will be a new school in town. Last Tuesday, students and teachers from Victoria Street School gathered to mark the start of construction of the new Stuart Baker Elementary School.

The Trillium Lakelands District School Board approved the tender submitted by WS Morgan Construction Limited. The estimated cost of the new school is $2,134,200. The school will be located next to the J.D. Hodgson Elementary School in Haliburton.

The Stuart Baker School will replace Victoria Street School which was constructed in 1923. Due to space constraints, safety concerns and the location next to the flood plain, it was determined that a new school was needed. The school will be home to students up to grade two. Originally it was to have included grade three classes, but now that the school board has introduced a junior kindergarten program, it will be accommodated in the new school. The new building will contain nine classrooms, a library and seminar room, play room, staff room, and reception area.

On hand for the sod turning ceremony were several school representatives, including Acting Director of Education Evelyn Brown, School Board Chair Cheryl Murdoch, Superintendents Dale Robinson and Jim Bradley, Victoria Street Principal Judy Tomlinson-Ross, Ann Creelman and wife of the late Stuart Baker, Dorothy Baker.

Evelyn Brown took the opportunity to congratulate the students and teachers for their patience and effort in waiting for the construction of the new school to begin. "I know that as we build the school we are not only building bricks and mortar, but a solid foundation," said Brown.

Superintendent Dale Robinson thanked many people responsible for the new school, including the former

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Surrounding by young helpers, School Board Chair Cheryl Murdoch, left, and Dorothy Baker, turn the sod to mark the start of construction of the Stuart Baker Elementary School in Haliburton.

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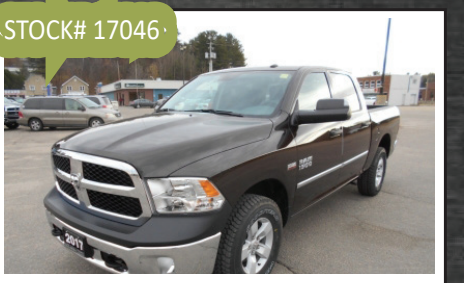

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HHOA brings Catch the Ace to Haliburton as fundraiser

DARREN LUM
County Life staff

The Haliburton Highlands Outdoor Association is looking to a popular East Coast fundraising idea to help them meet growing financial demands.

HHOA vice-president of education and marketing Rusty Rustenburg said his organization is among the first group of Ontario organizations to try the very popular Chase the Ace game started a few years ago.

Rustenberg is inviting the public to play "Catch the Ace" (its name changed slightly as a nod to the recipient of the fundraising) for some fun and to help the volunteer-run group cover their operating costs, which includes a $16,000 annual hydro bill, required to keep the lights on and power the pumps at the fish hatchery in Haliburton.

Although HHOA relies on a few other fundraisers in the year and grants to stay operational, the group is hoping to supplement its efforts with this borrowed idea.

"We're just trying to carry our own weight. Hopefully the community will back [us]," Rustenburg said.

Canoe FM also receives money from the fundraiser.

Catch the Ace is a progressive lottery – the longer the draw is held the more money is available to win.

In an email, Rustenburg wrote, "One ticket is drawn and the desired envelope number (out of 52) indicated on the stub will be removed from a lockbox by a ticket marshal. The selected envelope will be opened containing a playing card. If it is any other card than the ace of spades card, the winner gets 20 per cent of ticket sales from the previous week of sales. The next week, the 30 per cent of sales gets rolled over into a progressive jackpot for when the ace of spades is opened."

Ticket buyers don't have to be present to win. The draw ends once the ace of spades is drawn.

Limited to only 450 tickets at a cost of $5 each per week, this fundraiser provides very good odds of winning. The tickets are on sale now. Tickets are available at participating retailers that sell Canoe FM bingo cards and at the local volunteer radio station in Haliburton, the HHOA and select trade shows. Sales of tickets will end by noon every Wednesday followed by the weekly draw of the winning ticket at the HHOA at 6 p.m. OPP constable Tim Negus will be verifying the envelopes.

Rustenburg, a retired MNRF conservation officer, started his career in the area as a student and then worked in the Thunder Bay and Atikokan area. He believes in the role of the HHOA to help young people get involved in a variety of activities to learn and be active.

The HHOA is divided into two divisions: fish hatchery and the club operations.

The hatchery is active with its fish stocking programs to ensure the health of lakes in the Highlands. It also educates the public, particularly children, about local wildlife, habitats and the environment. Among the key education components: the local heritage species Haliburton Gold lake trout. The club division of the HHOA provides outdoor education related pastimes such as archery, fly fishing, the hunt club and outdoors club.

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Dance showcase impresses

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Upcoming Events

HALIBURTON: Sexual Health Clinic

When: Wednesday, May 24, 10:30 am to 12:30 pm.
The clinic provides clients with confidential access to cervical screening, low-cost birth control, pregnancy testing and sexual health teaching. Testing and treatment of sexually transmitted infections are also provided. For more information, locations or to make an appointment, call the Health Unit at 1-866-888-4577, ext. 2205.

Royal Canadian Legion Branch 120-Haliburton presents Jeff Moulton

When: Saturday, May 27, 2017 4:00 to 7:00 pm
Where: Haliburton Legion, Clubroom
Cost: $5.00 cover charge for non members 50/50 draw at 6:00 pm. Enjoy delicious meal for $6.00 by the Ladies Auxiliary
For Information contact: Linda at 705-457-2064

Friends of the Haliburton County Public Library-Annual General Meeting & Members Afternoon

When: Wednesday, May 31, 2017 1:00 am 2:00-presentation
Where: The Common room, Minden Hills Cultural Centre
Cost: $5.00 for non members, memberships available for $5.00
Guest speaker: Erin Kernoham-Berning

Diabetes and Sleep Apnea

When: Wednesday May 31st, 2017 at 10am.
Where: Minden Hospital Boardroom- Upstairs.
Join Sara MacRae, Registered Respiratory Therapist, to discuss the connection between Type 2 Diabetes and Sleep Apnea.
Call (705) 286-2140 x3296 for more information. No need to preregister.

Haliburton Highlands Land Trust AGM

When: Saturday June 3, 2017 10:00am
Where: Minden Cultural Centre.
We encourage you to renew your membership in time for this meeting. Members and non-members welcome! visit www.haliburtonlandtrust.ca

Haliburton County Master Gardeners are holding their annual plant sale

When: Saturday, June 3
Where: The Village Green on Main Street in downtown Minden.
You may come at 9 am for an entrance number. The sale starts at 10 am and continues until sold out. Hundred of plants at reasonable prices. Contact Janice at 705 754-9183 or visitwww.haliburtonmastergardener.ca

Haliburton Highlands Granny Tea

When: Sunday June 4, Doors open 1 pm, Tea begins 1:30 pm
Where: Haliburton Legion
In support of the Stephen Lewis Foundation Loonie Auction, Granny Creations Marketplace, Herbs from Abbey Gardens
For Tickets call: Norma Isaacs 705-457-2015, Gayle Upshall 705-286-3411

Straw Bale Gardening

When: June 6, 2017, 7pm-9pm
Where: Minden Community Centre
The Minden and District Horticultural Society welcomes special guest, Gail Murray, who will be speaking about Straw Bale Gardening.
Contact: mindenhorticulturalsociety.ca

Haliburton Highlands Land Trust, in partnership with Abbey Gardens - Pollinator Garden.

When: Saturday, June 10 from 9:30-12:00
Where: Abbey Gardens.
This project is funded in part by the Government of Canada, Canada150 Fund. This is an opportunity to get your hands dirty and gain a deeper understanding of the importance of biodiversity, and particularly bees, to food production. Join us for a fun and educational morning. Contact Abbey Gardens for further information at 705-754-4769 www.abbeygardens.ca

The Minden Curling Club is having a Great Garage Sale!

When: June 10 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Where: Minden Curling Club, 50 Prentice St. (beside the Community Centre) in Minden.
More than 250 members are participating. Many treasures to be found! Furniture, jewellery, tools, household goods, bake table, books and so much more.

Food and Beverage Showcase

When: Date: Saturday, June 17, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Where: Wintergreen Maple Products, 3325 Gelert Rd., Minden
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BIOBLITZ 2017! Haliburton Highlands Land Trust presents the first ever Bioblitz in Haliburton County!

When: Saturday June 24
A variety of workshops and events are open to the public while environmental experts from across the province spend 24 hours gathering data on plant and animal species at the Dahl Forest. Register for events online at www.haliburtonlandtrust.ca or call 705 457 3700

Making Fun Cement Planters

When: July 4, 2017, 7pm-9m
Where: Minden Community Centre
The Minden and District Horticultural Society welcomes special guest, Nancee Adams, who will be demonstrating how to make fun cement planters.
Contact: mindenhorticulturalsociety.ca

Land Trust Bats and Bat Boxes

When: Saturday July 8 - 10:00am to noon
Where: Abbey Gardens
Join the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust to construct a bat box for your property. Kits will be provided. Registration is limited. Register at www.haliburtonlandtrust.ca.

Haliburton Highlands Land Trust "Tee Up for the Trust" Golf Tournament

When: Thursday July 27
Where: Pinestone Resort and Conference Centre
This fundraiser for the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust will be a fun filled event! Admission includes a light lunch, dinner, prizes, auctions, golf cart. Four person scramble format with shotgun start at 12:30. Please register online at haliburtonlandtrust.ca before June 30 for earlybird pricing!

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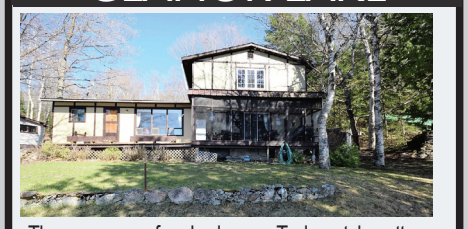

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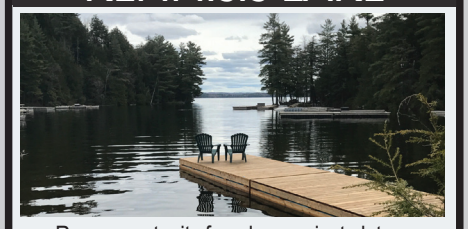

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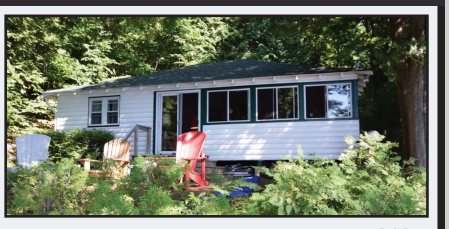

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